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PAKISTAN SECURITY ASSISTANCE

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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

National Intelligence Officers

NFAC 4311-81
13 July 1981MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Chairman, National Intelligence Council

FROM: [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT:

NSAC

NSC Meeting Topic: Pakistan (14 July 1981) [REDACTED]

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1. On 15 June 1981, Mr. Allen circulated the memorandum on Pakistan Security Assistance located at Tab A. This memorandum indicated two forthcoming IG meetings -- one chaired by Defense and the other by State -- should prepare papers dealing with USG approaches to the security assistance issue. NIO/NESA did not participate in either of these IGs (if indeed they were held) [and we have received no papers which may have been prepared as their result. Thus, we are at sea without an oar in respect to tomorrow's specific proposals which may come before the NSC.] [REDACTED]

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2. A brief reprise of Pakistani external and internal security concerns is located at Tab B. This provides some background. I have also included a short commentary on the subject written by [REDACTED] of OPA. [REDACTED]

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3. Secretary Haig has recently requested that we prepare an SNIE on the Soviet Threat to Pakistan. [REDACTED] Acting NIO for the USSR, will be coordinating the draft. Presently OSR has a draft assessment of Soviet contingency planning for operations along Pakistan's Northwest frontier which has been in the works for several weeks. A copy of the principal judgments are located at Tab C. [REDACTED]

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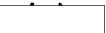
4. In February 1980, the Intelligence Community published an SNIE titled Reactions to US Military Assistance to Pakistan. I believe that US-Pakistan relations are much better now than when this estimate was written. I have provided it largely because the judgments regarding Pakistani options

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and military capabilities remain accurate. Similarly, our Intelligence Assessment Pakistan: Prospects for the Zia Government (February, 1981) is provided as back-up on the internal situation. Both of these are at Tab D. 

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